

Intimation.

EYE-SIGHT.

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HONGKONG HOTEL, (Room No. 119).
HONGKONG, 5th December, 1896. [187]

Today's

Advertisements.

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Names can be sent by intending Competitors for the One Mile BICYCLE RACE.

SAM MARKS,

Proprietor.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1896. [186]

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd to 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HIMPHEYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1896. [185]

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Captain R. Köhler, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1896. [186]

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong 15th September, 1896. [18]

MARRIAGE.

At Shanghai, on the 17th instant, at the Imperial German Consulate-General, by Dr. O. Smebel, Consul-General, and witnesses by Pastor H. Hackmann, Theo. Lic., at the Union Church, ANNA, eldest daughter of Professor A. Wittrock, of Celle, to C. BRERAM ROSENBAUM, of Shanghai.

DEATH.

At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on the 17th instant, JOHN ROBERTS FRYER, aged 25 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1896.

THE SANITARY BOARD MUDDLE.

We have received and now publish the correspondence between the Governor and the Secretary of State for the Colonies respecting the constitution of the Sanitary Board which is to be laid on the Council table next Monday. There are six letters and two telegrams. The first letter is dated the 18th May, 1895, and the last the 15th November, 1896. In the letter of the 15th May, 1895, the Governor refers to the report of the Retrenchment Committee, and to his secret communications with Messrs. KESWICK, CHATER, JACKSON, McCONACHIE, and BELLILIOS, and to the Chamber of Commerce letter, and recommends the abolition of the Sanitary Board and the transfer of its power and responsibilities to the Head of the Colonial Medical Department, to be thereafter styled the Principal Civil Medical Officer, and who should have under him four assistants (doctors) and the entire staff of the Sanitary Board, including the Secretary. The public have already had an opportunity of reading for themselves and exercising their own judgment on the letters of Messrs. KESWICK, CHATER, BELLILIOS, and McCONACHIE; but where is Mr. JACKSON's letter, and when is that previous document going to be made public? Is it one of the letters that the writers will not consent to the publication of? There are two things noticeable about this despatch of the Governor's. He does not send forward to the Secretary of State any of the letters referred to above and which we have since seen. He only transmits the letter of the Chamber of Commerce, and there is not in his despatch, from beginning to end, any reference whatever to Dr. Ho Kai and his letter and very able defence of the Sanitary Board. Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's despatch in reply of the 18th September re-echoes the Governor's letter, apparently without any object, and asks for some resolution or expression of opinion on the part of the Legislative Council in support of the Governor's recommendations before the abolition of the Sanitary Board can be sanctioned. On the 2nd December, 1895, the Governor has to report that no satisfactory expression of opinion can be got from the unofficial members, and that it is futile for him to approach the Legislative Council formally on the subject of the abolition of the Sanitary Board, and sends forward the letters omitted from his first despatch. He sends

constituting a new Board of Health and two unofficial despatch in reply of the 18th February, 1896, the Secretary of State sanctions the introduction of the Bill. On the 31st of June last His Excellency reports his abandonment of this Bill, as it had not proved acceptable to the views of the British residents in the colony (as manifested by the plebiscite taken in May last), and recommends either complete Government control and responsibility or a wholly unofficial Board with full powers. Of course, he favours the first mentioned of these two alternatives. On the 27th of October last there was a telegram from the Governor to Downing Street asking for an answer to the above despatch and a wire in reply that it was to follow speedily, and then we come to the last act in the drama, in which Mr. CHAMBERLAIN deals His Excellency a well deserved buffet for his weakness and vacillation; directs the whole question of sanitary control to stand over until another Governor can take it in hand, and administers a severe reproof on the subject of the *plebiscite*, as something wholly inconsistent with Crown Colony government, pointing the reproof with a caustic allusion to His Excellency's inconsistency in appealing to the community for an expression of its views and then deliberately "advising a course opposed to that for which the very large majority of the votes were cast." There is a chance for a properly constituted Sanitary Board in Hongkong yet.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

As we anticipated in these notes last night, Spain is quite ready to go to war with the United States. She has no shipping on the seas, no trade or commerce worth talking about, none of those external interests which operate and have operated so powerfully for many years past to keep the weather nations of Europe from engaging in warfare. She has nothing to lose except honour, and from the Reuter published this evening it would appear that she is preparing for all eventualities and intends to vindicate that honour if the action of the United States in regard to Cuba should appear to infringe upon her dignity as a nation. In one sense, and that the most important, she is certainly not in a position to make any great preparations. Her material resources must be of the most slender. She can only be preparing to any purpose in the sense that the mental attitude of the Spanish people is not averse to war if honour calls, or seems to call, in that direction.

In the United States, too, the action of the Senate and Congress seems to be supported by the public opinion of many states. Governors are offering volunteers for service against Spain. Any rash act on the part of the subjects of either power may at any moment precipitate a conflict. A filibustering expedition from a southern port may, if successful in effecting a landing in Cuba, produce a declaration of war from Spain, or, if successfully resisted by the Spaniards, with the loss of American lives, may lead to such an outburst of popular feeling in the States as to lead to reprisals and to forcing the hand of President Cleveland and his ministers. We believe that any formal recognition of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents would be instantly resented by the Spanish Government and American public opinion, outraged by the long continuance of the contest in the island and by the cruelties alleged to have been perpetrated by the Spaniards in the conduct of it, may at any moment compel that recognition by the President. He is independent, of course, and may refuse to be the means of openly embroiling the two nations in war. On the other hand, it is just possible that the Democratic cause, now at the lowest ebb, might be strengthened by his recognition of the popular desire for excitement of some kind and that he may be tempted to render it this last service before he resigns his post to a Republican in the person of Major McKINLEY.

If war should break out between Spain and the United States there would very speedily be an American squadron at Manila. No successful resistance could be offered and the Spanish flag would have to give place there to the Stars and Stripes. It would not be pleasant to have an American Government installed in the Philippines. It would make a very great alteration in the political and commercial outlook in the Far East. Would Europe tolerate such a transfer? We doubt it. Neither France nor Germany would, we believe, care to see those magnificent islands under the rule of the United States. France has an eye on them. Germany had a nibble at the Caroline Islands, and has ambitious designs in these waters. The United States would, of course, succeed in defeating Spain as speedily and as completely as Japan disposed of the Chinese fleets, armies and fortresses, but she would probably find, as Japan found, a combination confronting her sufficiently strong to prevent her from gathering in the full fruits of her conquests. Europe is a little sore over the Venezuela business, as we have already suggested, and might feel inclined to say to the people of the United States that if they claimed a monopoly on the American Continent, the older Powers of the world claimed a monopoly, too, in the continents of Europe, Asia, and Africa. War between Spain and the United States over Cuba is on the cards. It could at this moment be more easily brought about than any other conflict. The consequences may easily be conceived as leading to very great changes and very serious complications. We can only indicate some of them and say with reference to the present portents, *Adieu, Spain!*

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, December 20th.

The Spanish Minister of Marine has ordered that the warships now building shall be completed with all haste.

THE AMERICANS ANXIOUS TO FIGHT.
The Governors of several of the United States declare that they are ready to raise volunteers to fight against Spain, if necessary.

SPAIN PREPARING FOR ALL
EVENTUALITIES.

Señor Canovas, the Prime Minister, in an interview with Reuter's representative, said that he relied on the steamship of President Cleveland and Mr. Olney, and also on the good sense of the more sober Americans, to prevent war, but that Spain was determined to uphold her dignity and was preparing for all eventualities.

(Special to China Gazette.)
THE REBELLION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

THE INSURRECTION SPREADING.

ARRIVAL OF A JAPANESE WARSHIP.

MANILA, December 17th.

The rebellion has spread to the provinces of Batang, Batangas, and Pampanga, and in a lesser degree to Morong, and embracing the whole island of Luzon, south of the province of Bulacan; in fact, the whole of the Tagalog provinces. The chief interest just now is centred in Cavite peninsula, which is about to be taken by the Spanish troops detailed for the dislodgment of the rebels from that place, and who command the leftmost, completely cutting off retreat by land. The rebellion will probably be directed by Governor-General Polavieja, in person.

General La Champaña has assumed command of the expedition sent against the insurgents in Batangas and Laguna. He is taking his forces to the northward in order to clear the rebels out of the affected districts. Railway traffic is at present entirely suspended during these operations. General Rios is in command of the troops around Meycauyan, 15 kilometres south of Manila, and beyond there the country is considered dangerous. The people in the northern provinces still remain loyal to the Spanish authorities, however.

On Friday last a whole column of 250 troops deserted from a garrison in the province of Bulacan and it is presumed went over in a body to the rebels.

Frequent executions seem to be quite ineffectual in terrifying the rebels into submission. On Monday last 21 died the death penalty at Cavite, and 4 more were shot at Manila the same day. At Cavite the rebels are commanded by Emilio Aguinaldo, who has charge of the entire province with a rebel force entrenched at Novleta and at Inau, the estate house of the filars.

Two Spanish ladies are now known to be imprisoned in the rebel stronghold at Inau, Cavite province.

A large number of wealthy merchants are leaving Manila itself, as an outbreak is apprehended at any moment. It is generally well known that in Manila disloyalty and revolutionary sympathies are very widespread and have obtained a strong hold on the mass of the people.

The Japanese first-class cruiser *Yoshino* has arrived here in order to watch Japanese interests. The British cruiser *Daphne* is now moored right off the very centre of Manila, the British Consulate is guarded every night by bluejackets, and armed boats are kept in readiness for any emergency which may arise. The cruiser *Spartan* left Hongkong for Manila this morning in order to reinforce the British men-of-war now in port, which are at present the *Daphne*, the *Phaga*, and the *Flores*.

THE CAREW CASE.

KORE, December 17th.

The trial of Mrs. Carew on a charge of murdering her husband at Yokohama, under circumstances already fully reported, is to take place on Monday, January 4th. Mr. H. S. Wilkinson, Crown Prosecutor for China and Japan, is busily engaged in preparing the case.

(From Japanese Papers.)
KOREA.

TOKIO, December 11th.

A Seoul dispatch received last night states that the Government of the Korean Government left Seoul last night for Japan. His business, it is said, is to negotiate with the Japanese Government for the fresh trial of the Seoul disturbance case.

BLACK PLAGUE IN FORMOSA.

TOKIO, December 12th.

The *Yorodan Choko* learns that Mr. Takazawa Kyo, Secretary of the Taipei Prefectural Government, Formosa, died of black plague a few days ago.

PUNJONS.

The Secretary of the Punjom Mining Company received a telegram this morning reporting that the mill was resumed on Sunday (20th inst.) and that the water wheel has been started and found to work in an entirely satisfactory manner.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Russian gunboat *Bodr* arrived at Shanghai on the 16th inst.

SIR WILLIAM ROBINSON will be "At Home" from 3.30 p.m. to-morrow (Wednesday), the 23rd instant.

MR. LAZARUS asks us to call attention to the fact that his visit to Hongkong is now rapidly drawing to a close.

THE chief officer and some of the crew of the steamer *Ningchow* arrived at Shanghai on the 19th instant from Hongkong.

THE twelfth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd., will be held on Tuesday, the 29th inst., at noon.

On Christmas Day there will be Morning Prayer with Holy Communion at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point, at 10 o'clock instead of 11 o'clock as on Sundays.

THE erection of the new International Cotton Mill at Shanghai is now so far advanced that ere long it will be ready for work in a few days.

THE Shanghai *Shen Bao* says that the Russian flag has been hoisted on a house in Tientsin which has been converted into a Russian consulate.

THE meeting of shareholders of the Asiatic Mills Works Company, to have been held at the Hongkong Hotel at 4 p.m. to-day, lapsed for want of a quorum.

WE are asked to announce that Commodore Holland, R.N., has kindly consented to preside at the annual tea-meeting at the Seamen's Church, West Point, on Tuesday, the 29th inst.

ELEVEN fresh cases of small-pox were reported in Osaka on the 7th inst. From the 15th to the 23rd ult. 41 cases were reported in Osaka. The disease has appeared in Wakayama, Kanagawa and Mie prefectures.

SUBSCRIBERS to the St. George's Ball, to be held on Friday 22nd prox., are requested to send in names of guests as early as possible to the hon. secretary (Mr. T. Sercombe-Smith) at the Hongkong Club. The subscription lists are still open.

A COTTON Mill of about the same size as the Loekung-mao Mill is now being constructed by the Japanese on the Yangtsepo Road, Shanghai, and should it turn out a success, it will be followed by two others, each as large as the Kwo Mill.

A SPECIAL despatch from Peking reports that Liang Cheng, a Cantonese, one of the returned students from the United States, a Secretary of the Tungli Yamen with the rank of Taotai, is designated to replace Huang Chun-hien as Chinese Minister to Berlin.

On the 16th instant at the Shanghai Horse Bazaar a "time griffin" was sold at auction realising 1,000. A few days previously a "crack" griffin was sold by the same firm for 1,450. The 1000 taeler has done his 12 mile in a min. 45 sec., and it is rumoured he will run at the Hongkong meeting in February.

THE General Post Office and Registration Branch will be closed on Christmas Day, and Boxing Day (the 25th and 26th instants), except from 8 to 9 a.m. Correspondence for Hongkong, the Peak and Kowloon may be posted up to 9 a.m. The Night Box will be left open. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed on both days.

THE Band of the West York Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock:—

1.—Overture "Pique Dame" Tuxford.
2.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.
3.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.
4.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.
5.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.
6.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.
7.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.
8.—"The Girl of the Year" Collett.

In their *Weekly Share Report* issued at 5 p.m. to-day Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state the week under review has passed with very few changes, and business generally continues dull. They state Docks are firm at 214 per cent. premium with small sales and buyers. Indo-China have been done at 440 and 441, while Bell's Aberton are in demand for Singapore at 48 and 49 for 17/6 and fully paid up shares respectively.

At the Magistracy to-day the five members of the steam-launch *Luna* appeared on remand charged with having caused the death of a looking by negligent navigation. The evidence of Constable J. Kerr, No. 15, was taken and largely corroborated that of the previous witnesses. He said the reflection from the brasses could be seen at from 100 to 150 yards away. He, too, heard the shouts from the pinnace before she was run down. As to the weather witnesses said it was clear and starlight, but he could not see the moon. The case was adjourned till 2.15 p.m. to-morrow.

THE annual distribution of prizes at St. Joseph's College took place this evening in the presence of a large number of ladies and gentlemen. Among those present were his Lordship the Chief Justice (Dr. Carrington) Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., and Revs. Fathers Vignani, De Maria, Ponzio Joseph, and Julian and Fathers P. Torres and others. An interesting programme of music, vocal and instrumental, dialogues etc. was gone through by the pupils and reflected the greatest credit on their instructors. The prizes, consisting of handsomely bound books, were handed to the winners by the Chief Justice.

To promote the independence of the Philippines is one of the objects to which the *Kohoku*, a leading Japanese paper, pledged itself when it published its platform on the occasion of its two thousandth issue. Germany is vigilantly watching for something to turn up in the Far East, or the South Sea, so that she may avail herself of it to obtain a base of operations in these regions. The rebellion in Manila has attracted her attention, and she is thinking of rendering assistance to the rebels. Her idea is purely selfish, but still Japan might co-operate with her. Indeed, Japan must abandon her chivalrous efforts in Korea and direct them to the South. She might combine with Germany and England in liberating the Philippines from the fetters of bondage. Such are the *Kohoku's* views.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW—23rd December.

French and Indian mails due.
11 a.m.—Outward French Mail closes.
Noon.—Salute leaves for Europe.
Noon.—*Empress of Japan* leaves for Vancouver, via usual ports of call.
3 p.m.—Action of valuable leasehold property, at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's sale-rooms, Queen's Road Central.
3.30 p.m.—H.E. the Governor "At Home."

THURSDAY—24th December.
Race for the Victoria's Cup.

FRIDAY—25th December.
Tacoms mail due.
Government office, Local Banks and Insurance offices close.

SATURDAY—26th December.
English mail due.
Government office, Local Banks and Insurance offices close.
8 p.m.—Smoking Concert at the City Hall.
8.30 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge.

JAPAN, CHINA, AND KOREA.

The *Japan Mail* of 10th December, received today, contains what it claims is an accurate translation of the speech delivered by Count Okuma (Premier) at a recent meeting of the Oriental Association. The Count is reported to have said in reference to the recent war with China that "it owed its origin entirely to His Majesty's benevolent wish to add a weak and defenceless neighbour." . . . "The relations between Japan and the treaty powers are happily very friendly, and there is no country scheming against us or attempting to injure our interests or rights." After stating that he would do his utmost to promote foreign trade, the distinguished speaker went on to say that he thought there was very little danger of a rupture between any of the Great Powers because it would cripple their trade. He then reminded his hearers that diplomacy is not the monopoly of any one country. There were always other nations to be taken into account. If, however, any of those countries should injure Japan's prestige, rights, or interests he felt that he "need hardly affirm that the patriotism of the forty million Japanese would burst out like a volcanic eruption." In conclusion he advised the Association to study the diplomacy by which the national interests may be promoted and the peace and balance of power in the Orient be maintained. There was, he said, at present "a nation possessing nearly a third of the population of the whole world whose present condition is indeed pitiable. To rescue that nation from its sufferings is a labour which Japan, in defence to sentiments of justice, should undertake. Such undertakings could only be carried out by the united power of the nation." He therefore earnestly commended to the Oriental Association, which enjoys great influence, "that it should take upon itself to deliver from its distress that great but unfortunate nation in order to maintain the peace of the world, or, speaking in a more limited sense, the peace of the Far East." Count Okuma did not say how the salvation of China is to be accomplished; it can only be conjectured.

ON AN EMPRESS LINER.

AN ARMED MERCHANT CRUISER.

Through the courtesy of Capt. Tillet, Marine Superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Co., a reporter of the *Hongkong Telegraph* was to-day afforded an opportunity of inspecting the Company's steamship *Empress of Japan*. Leaving Plover's Wharf in the trim little launch firing the familiar red and white chequered house flag, our representative was soon alongside the handsome white liner, and Mr. P. C. Vincent (of the office staff) acted as guide.

The saloon deck was first visited, and here was a magnificent promenade, wide and long and covered overhead, just the place for reading or gossip in fine weather, and offering abundant facility for the enjoyment of games peculiar to shipboard. In fact the deck was as wide as many streets, and its cleanliness was beyond dispute. For those of bookish tastes the library is close at hand, and here is seen a fine example of what an up-to-date steamship company can do for its patrons: The library which opens on the saloon deck is a large chamber, well lighted by ports and a handsomely painted skylight. In each corner are luxurious seats upholstered in green flowered velvet, and the walls are panelled in flowered satin, which produces a very rich effect. The lower parts of the wall are in highly polished satin wood, and the walls and ceiling are figured in artistic designs in white and gold. There are comfortable writing tables covered with leather, and the book cases are filled with such stores of literature that the most exacting of bookworms could be satisfied therewith. The saloon deck awning, it may here be said, has been lengthened some 70 ft., and this enables passengers to come from below under complete shelter in any weather.

On the main deck are the staterooms, furnished in most cosy manner, among the fittings being wardrobes, drawers and settees, writing tables, and in fact everything to make a sea trip comfortable, besides the patent heating apparatus, which just now is an important consideration. The staterooms are designed to suit varied tastes, some being of light coloured wood and gold and others in rich mahogany. Of course the lavatory fittings are of the latest patterns and marble basins, and the "hot" thing one can appreciate about the ship is cold water being immediately available.

The dining saloon gives the idea of a *dinner* of a fashionable hotel, and is panelled in tasteful designs in white and gold, and is lighted with large ports, and is fitted with forward, and among the fittings a fine Stelway piano on roller with the furniture. The skylight dome is quite a masterpiece in its painting on glass, and the pretty disposition of pot plants about the table space volume for the eye and pride the Chief Steward and his staff take in their work. A good idea of the saloon is the arrangement of little alleys, tables, seating four each, where family or private parties may dine. The white and gold ornamentation used throughout the apartment gives a cool and airy effect which adds greatly to its roomy and lofty appearance. In the matter of heaters and appliances for keeping dishes and joints warm every detail has been studied and carefully guarded. The reporter next went through the kitchen, and found large lengths of alloy ways below, all flanked by large cables fitted in most comfortable and calculated to reduce the discomfort of sea journeying to the utmost minimum. Baths, hip and plunge, hot and cold, are found in plenty, and in every possible corner are stowed first-class appliances, board, baggage, etc. The ladies' cabin and stateroom, single, double and four berth, are all furnished in fine style, and the ladies' boudoir is a welcome adjunct for travellers of the softer sex. In amongst the gentlemen's cabins is a

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Solicitor,
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Auctioneer,
57, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 14th December, 1896. [1930]

Consignees.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "BAYERN."

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, at 3 P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1896. [1899]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID, SUZ, JEDDAH, SUKIM, MASSAWAH, HOEDDEA, ADEN, KURRA-CHIE, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

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Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-MORROW.
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1896. [1900]

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1896. [1971]

OCEAN-STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"POLYPHEMUS,"

Captain Goodwin, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 18th January, 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1896. [1977]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

To follow the "POLYPHEMUS."

S.S. "PORT ADELAIDE" to sail about 30th January, 1897.

S.S. "ENERGIA" to sail about 24th February, 1897.

S.S. "STRATHLEVEN" to sail about 28th February, 1897.

A "WARRACK" Steamer, to sail about 15th March, 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1896. [1976]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ONSANG,"

Captain J. Young, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1896. [1963]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSIRE,"

Captain F. Davies, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1896. [1903]

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Hongkong, 14th December, 1896. [1916]

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THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain J. S. Ross, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1896. [1958]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"HECTOR,"

Captain Barr, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1896. [1956]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Company's Steamship

"DEUCALION,"

Captain B. Branch, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1896. [1976]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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THE Company's Steamship

"KAGOSHIMA MARU,"

Captain Tsumoto, will sail hence on 2nd January, 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1958]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1896. [1979]

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

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For Freight, &c., apply to

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Hongkong, 7th December, 1896. [1891]

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1840]

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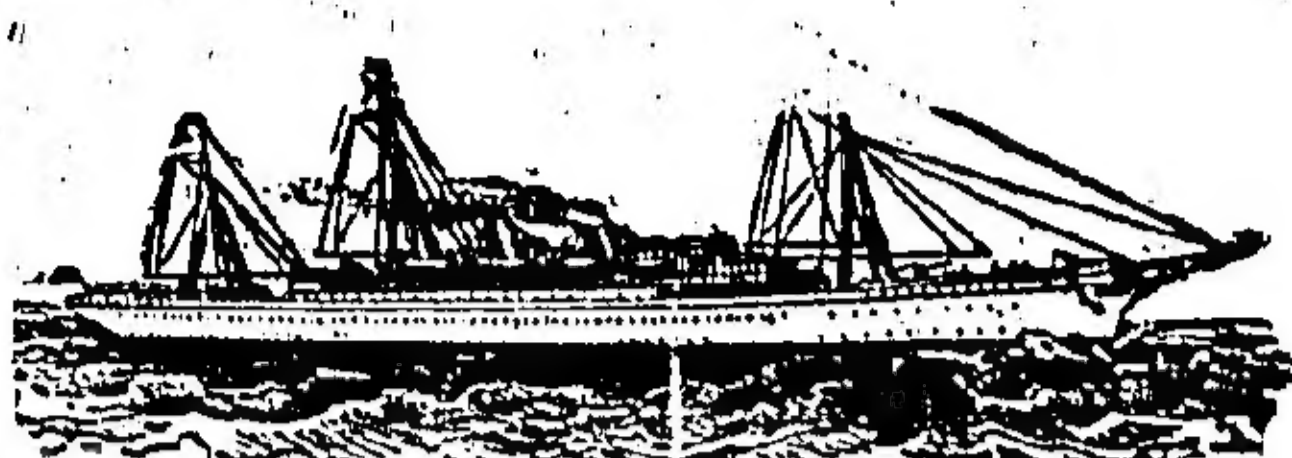
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Hongkong, 10th November, 1896. [1848]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1896.

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Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Tuesday, 29th Dec., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Saturday, 16th Jan., at Noon, 1897.

Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Thursday, 4th Feb., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 29th December, 1896, at Noon.

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